

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A device to be attached to a threaded stud, comprising a body having a bore for insertion of a stud, wherein the device has only a single pawl, and, in the absence of a stud in the bore, the pawl extends from an inner wall of the bore in a direction substantially perpendicular to ~~ana~~ a longitudinal axis of the bore, wherein the pawl has a flexible thin section connected to the inner wall and a thick section extending from the thin section, wherein the pawl can be bent in opposite directions at the thin section for mounting the device on a stud from two directions, wherein only a single pair of thread engaging sections are formed at opposite sides ~~of a tip end of the thick section~~ at a tip end of the thick section, one or another of the engaging sections being disposed for entering a space between crests of threads of a stud depending on a direction of insertion of the stud in the bore, wherein only a single pair of grooves are formed adjacent to corresponding engaging sections of the pawl at the opposite sides of the thick section, each groove being disposed for

receiving a crest of a thread adjacent to the space between crests, and wherein the opposite sides of the thick section of the pawl between the grooves and the thin section ~~is~~are devoid of thread engaging sections and grooves corresponding to thread engaging sections.

2. (cancelled).

3. (currently amended) A device to be attached to a threaded stud, comprising a body having a bore for insertion of a stud, wherein the device has only a single pawl, and, in absence of a stud in the bore, the pawl extends from an inner wall of the bore in a direction substantially perpendicular to ~~ana~~ a longitudinal axis of the bore, wherein the pawl has a flexible thin section connected to the inner wall and a thick section extending from the thin section, wherein the pawl can be bent in opposite directions at the thin section for mounting the device on a stud from two directions, wherein a pair of thread engaging sections are formed at an end of the thick section, one or another of the engaging sections being disposed for entering a space between crests of threads of a stud depending on a direction of insertion of the stud in the bore, wherein a length of

the thick section of the pawl is substantially greater than a distance between the inner wall and a stud fully inserted in the bore, and wherein after full insertion of a stud in the bore, a centerline of the pawl forms an angle substantially less than 90° from the centerline of the pawl before insertion of a stud.

4. (currently amended) The device according to claim 1, wherein a tip of each engaging section is arcuate in a plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the bore so as to conform to curvature of the threads.

5. (currently amended) The device according to claim 4, wherein each groove is arcuate in a plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the bore so as to conform to curvature of the threads.

6. (currently amended) A device to be attached to a threaded stud, comprising a body having a bore for insertion of a stud, and having only a single pawl in the bore, wherein the pawl is connected by a hinge to a first inner wall of the bore, wherein the pawl has a centerline extending in a first direction substantially perpendicular to ~~ana~~ a longitudinal axis of the bore before insertion of a stud in the bore and forming an angle of substantially less

than 90° with respect to the first direction after full insertion of the stud in the bore, and wherein the pawl has only a single thread engaging section at a pawl tip at one side of the pawl, that enters a space between successive crests of threads of a stud and has ~~an~~only a single adjacent groove at said one side of the pawl, that receives one of the crests of the thread, wherein the pawl has a length along said one side between the groove and the hinge that is devoid of thread engaging sections and thread crest receiving grooves, and wherein a second inner wall of the bore is constructed to minimize lateral movement of the stud in the first direction, and in a direction orthogonal to the first direction.

7. (previously presented) A device according to Claim 6, wherein the second inner wall of the bore is dimensioned to closely surround a major portion of a circumference of the stud.

8. (original) A device according to Claim 6, wherein the engaging section and the groove are formed on a section of the pawl substantially thicker than a section of the pawl forming the hinge.

9. (currently amended) A device according to Claim 8, wherein there ~~are~~is only a single pair of the engaging section sections and only a single pair of the groovesgroove at each of opposite sides of the thicker section of the pawl, whereby an engaging section and a groove can engage threads of the stud irrespective of a direction of insertion of a stud into the bore.

10. (currently amended) A device according to Claim 9, wherein tips of the engaging sections and the grooves are arcuate in a plane perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the bore to conform to curvature of the threads of the stud.

11. (original) A device according to Claim 6, wherein a stud is disposed in the bore.

12. (original) A device according to Claim 1, wherein the body includes a component mounting section for holding a component.

13. (original) A device according to Claim 6, wherein the body includes a component mounting section for holding a component.